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VIA: Chief, Legislative Liaison Division

FROM: Legislative Liaison

SUBJECT: House Foreign Affairs Committee Briefings on Illicit Narcotics

1. The House Foreign Affairs Committee (HFAC) is planning a series of hearings on U.S. Government efforts to halt the flow of illicit narcotics on 20, 21, and 22 April. Their tentative plans now call for State attorney generals to appear on 20 April to outline the problem as viewed from the State level. On the morning of 21 April the head of the State Bureau for International Narcotic Matters is scheduled to testify. In the afternoon, they would like to hear from the Agency in a closed session. On 22 April, they plan to have the top White House narcotics officials and either Eagleburger or Stoessel from State to appear to discuss U.S. narcotics policy. The staff indicated that they would like to have Admiral Inman appear with them. [ ]

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2. At this point it appears that there are two areas on which the Agency will be asked to comment:

a. What priority does the Agency give to collecting intelligence on illicit narcotics traffic? As indicated in summary item number 7 of the attached staff report, they have the feeling that we have not assigned narcotics the priority it should have. The staff believes that Admiral Inman would be the best person to address this question at the 22 April hearing.

b. What funds, resources, manpower, etc., would be required to improve our technical collection capability to cover all crop-growing areas worldwide? [ ]

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3. The staff has been told that we are not a policy making Agency and that Admiral Inman could not address the question of priorities, or any other aspect of our effort in open session. Instead, we should testify only at the closed intelligence briefing on the afternoon of 21 April. [ ]

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4. I would like to meet with you informally to discuss your views on the best way to respond to the Committee request for Agency participation. Would you give me a call on  when you receive this so that we can set up a time to get together.  25X1

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